

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAFAYETTE-OPELOUSAS DIVISION**

IN RE: STONE ENERGY
CORPORATION
SHAREHOLDER
DERIVATIVE LITIGATION

Civil Action 05-2166(LEAD)
05-2167
06-0171

Judge Tucker L. Melançon

versus

Magistrate Judge C. Michael Hill

James H. Stone, et al.

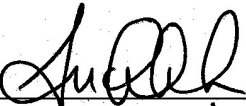
ORDER

Before the Court is Officer Defendants David H. Welch, Kenneth H. Beer, and James H. Prince's Motion to Stay Or, in the Alternative Motion to Dismiss [Rec. Doc. 69] and Outside Director Defendants Peter K. Barker, Robert A. Bernhard, George R. ("Ron") Christmas, B.J. Duplantis, Raymond B. Gary, John P. Laborde, Richard A. Pattarozzi, James H. Stone and David R. Voelker's Motion to Stay Or, in the Alternative Motion to Dismiss the Third Amended Consolidated Complaint [Rec. Doc. 71]. Based on the procedural posture of this consolidated case and the related consolidated case, *In Re. Stone Energy Lit.*, Civil Action No. 05-2088(LEAD), 05-2109(MEMBER), 05-2220(MEMBER), it is

ORDERED that the Officer Defendants' Motion to Stay [Rec. Doc. 69] and Outside Director Defendants' Motion to Stay [Rec. Doc. 71] are **GRANTED** and this consolidated proceeding is **STAYED** pending final resolution of defendants Stone Energy Corporation, David H. Welch, James H. Prince and Kenneth H. Beer's Motion to Dismiss Lead Plaintiff's Consolidated Class Action Complaint in the related consolidated case after which a hearing will be conducted by the Court to determine

the propriety of maintaining the stay.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Lafayette, Louisiana, on this 21st day of
December, 2006.



Tucker L. Melançon
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE